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SUBJECT; FRAMEWORK FOR "TANZAMBICAN" COMMUNITY?

1. LOCAL PRESS GAVE FRONT PAGE TREATMENT TO PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERNAL MEASURES WHICH REPORTEDLY INCLUDE THE END OF PRIVATE OWNERSHIP OF LAND, POLITICAL CONTROL OF COUNTRY'S TWO PRINCIPAL NEWSPAPER DAILIES, NATIONALIZATION OF PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND NATIONALIZATION OF CINEMAS.

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WM AS WE HAVE ALSO REPORTED, PRESIDENT MACHEL HAS GONE OUT

OF HIS WAY IN PAST WEEKS TO EMPHASIZE THE CLOSE TIES AND
COMMUNITY OF INTEREST BETWEEN NEWLY INDEPENDENT MOZAMBIQUE AND
TANZANIA AND ZAMBIA.

3. COMMENT: WHILE LOCAL PRESS QUOTES KAUNDA AS SAYING ONE
REASON FOR THE PRESENT ECONOMIC DETERIORATION IS THE FALL IN
THE PRICE OF COPPER, IMPLYING THAT ECONOMIC NECESSITY DICTATED
THE INTERNAL REFORMS, IT APPEARS TO US THAT ANOTHER REASON MAY
WELL BE TO BRING ZAMBIA'S POLITICO-SOCIO-ECONOMIC SYSTEM INTO
CLOSER HARMONY WITH THAT OF TANZANIA AND MOZAMBIQUE. (MOZAM-
BIQUE'S NEW CONSTITUTION ALSO GIVES STATE OWNERSHIP OF ALL
LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.) IN THIS SPECTRUM, MOZAMBIQUE
WOULD STILL BE ON THE LEFT AND ZAMBIA ON THE RIGHT; NEVERTHE-
LESS, ZAMBIA WOULD BE LESS OUT OF STEP WITH TANZANIA AND
MOZAMBIQUE. SUCH RESTRUCTURING OF ZAMBIAN DOMESTIC SYSTEM WOULD
PRESUMABLY FACILITATE AN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY (SIMILAR TO
THE NOW DEFUNCT EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY), AS WELL AS CLOSER
POLITICAL, MILITARY AND FOREIGN POLICY COOPERATION.

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